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MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Wednesday the 25th April 1973/Vaishaka 5, 1895 S.E.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, at One of the Clock.

Madam Speaker : (Smt. K. S. Nagarathnamma) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral answers were given)

SUPERSESSION OF MUNICIPALITIES

1. Sri ABDUL KHUDDUS ANWAR (Bhadravathi).—

Will the Minister for Municipal Administration be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Municipalities that were superseded in the State due to maladministration from 1972 upto the latest convenient date ;

(*b*) the number of Chief Officers that were transferred on receipt of complaints ;

(*c*) whether Government have received any complaints against the Chief Officer, Town Municipal Council, Bhadravati ; if so, the action the Government has taken against the Officers ?

Sri B. BASAVALINGAPPA (Minister for Municipal Administration).—

(*a*) (1) City Municipal Council, Gulbarga.

(2) Town Municipal Council, Srirangapatna.

(3) City Municipal Council, Bagalkot.

(*b*) Transfer of Chief Officers are being effected in the exigency of service and not merely because complaints are made.

(*c*) Yes. No action was taken against the Chief Officer as he was not found responsible for the alleged misdeeds.

Sri ABDUL KHUDDUS ANWAR : You were pleased to say that some of the Municipalities are superseded on some charges. When there are specific charges on Bhadravati Municipality, why a similar action has not been taken against that Municipality ?

* Sri B. BASAVALINGAPPA : We have given them notice for supersession and we have received the reply. We have not yet taken any decision in the matter.

Sri ABDUL KHUDDUS ANWAR : The replies were received long back. I wrote to the Government that this Municipality has in many cases misappropriated the municipal funds and the Chief Officer has also misused his power. In answer to 'B' you have stated that the transfer of Chief Officers are being effected in the exigency of service and not merely because complaints are made. But on the floor of the House you were pleased to say that any officer who is involved in corrupt practices and misappropriation will be dealt with severely. Now there are cases of misappropriation with regard to this officer. I have given the details in about 20 cases. Why this officer is not transfered ?

Sri B. BASAVALINGAPPA : Sri Anwar Khuddus, M.L.A. has made some charges that Sri Basavannappa is involved in corrupt activities in day-to-day administration, and he should be transferred elsewhere. The report was called from the Divisional Commissioner and the Deputy Commission and they have reported that the Chief Officer is not responsible for charges mentioned by Sri Anwar Khuddus.

Sri ABDUL KHUDDUS ANWAR : Taking Rs. 100, 200 and 300 he has given permission for unauthorised construction of houses

* Indicate that remarks or speeches have not been revised by the member cancelled.

and those cases have been investigated by the Deputy Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner has reported to the Government that he is involved. Inspite of that you are saying that this Chief Officer is not involved. I am very sorry to know that inspite of the Report of the Deputy Commissioner, no action is taken. Will you kindly consider this matter atleast now and see that the corrupt officer is transfered elsewhere as per your promise made on the floor of the House ?

Sri B. BASAVALINGAPPA : No action has been taken as per the report received. I have no objection to give a second look to this and if the officer is really so as alleged by the Hon. Member, I will take serious action.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಂ. ನಾಗಣ್ಣ: ನೀವು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದಕ್ಕೂ ಈಗ ನೀವು ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದಕ್ಕೂ ಹೋಲಿಸಿ ನೋಡಿದರೆ, ತಮ್ಮ ಉತ್ತರ ನೇರವಾಗಿಲ್ಲವೆಂಬುದು ವ್ಯಕ್ತವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ದಯಮಾಡಿ ಕಂಪ್ಲೇಂಟ್ ಬಂದಮೇಲೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ಜನ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಟ್ರಾನ್ಸ್‌ಫರ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಬಸವಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ: ಹೇಗೆ ಹೇಗೆ ಕಂಪ್ಲೇಂಟ್ಸ್ ಬರುತ್ತದೋ ಹಾಗೆ ಹಾಗೆ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ವರ್ಗಾವಣೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಆದರೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ಜನರನ್ನು ಇದುವರೆಗೆ ವರ್ಗ ಮಾಡಿದೆ ಎಂಬ ಅಂಶವನ್ನು ನಿಖರವಾಗಿ ಈಗ ಹೇಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Sri ABDUL KHUDDUS ANWAR : In the light of the complaints which are presented to you, will you kindly take immediate action and see that the corrupt officer is transferred and the Municipality is superseded early ?

Sri B. BASAVALINGAPPA: As I submitted earlier to the House, the reply is received by the Government in response to the notice for supersession. I will take action immediately. Then about this Chief Officer, if he is really corrupt as alleged by the Hon. Member, I do not think he deserves to continue in service. If he is not so, in the usual course, I will transfer him.

LINKING OF BULL TEMPLE AND T.C.M. ROYAN ROAD

280. Sri T. R. SHAMANNA (Fort).—

Will the Minister for Municipal Administration be pleased to state :—